

**Labor, Education and Training Committee
Regular Meeting
November 21, 2002 - 9:00 a.m.
Tribal Office Boardroom**

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Committee Chairman Anthony Waupochick Sr. called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. Committee members present: Rory Griffin, Dr. Donna Powless, Dr. Verna Fowler, Virginia Nuske, Karen Washinawatok and Amy Waukau. Rose Wayka was not present for the meeting. Also present for the meeting was Ben Kaquatosh, Rudy Reiter, Jim Horton and Dave Grignon.

2. Moment of Silence - Dave Grignon said an opening prayer.

3. Review of Minutes Dated October 17, 2002

Motion made by Dr. Fowler to approve the minutes dated October 17, 2002. Motion was seconded by Rory Griffin. All those in favor signify by saying aye, 6-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

4. NiiJii Discussion/Jim Horton

Jim Horton is the NiiJii Board President and explained to the committee that the main purpose of NiiJii was to help alleviate poverty. NiiJii is involved with the Menominee, Lac du Flambeau and Mole Lake Tribes. The board receives money that is split between the tribes and is set aside for the bench marks that were already created for that money. One of the bench marks was hiring a grants writer to find funding. Jim informed the committee members that if their departments are looking for funding that they can utilize the services of the NiiJii grants writer.

5. Review Committee Reports

Committee went over the reports that they have received and some committee members briefly gave an oral report. No action was taken on any of the reports.

Motion made to by Rory Griffin to go to other business. Motion was seconded by Virginia Nuske. All those in favor signify by saying aye, 6-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent. Motion carried.

6. Other Business

Karen Washinawatok shared with the committee details of the training and workshops she attended recently.

Amy Waukau went over a document with the committee regarding Head Start standards for reading and learning. Amy explained that the Head Start Policy Council is also reviewing it and she will bring the issue back to the next meeting.

7. Tribal School Evaluation

Dr. Powless was excused from the meeting.

Motion made by Virginia Nuske to go into executive session. Motion was seconded by Rory Griffin. All those in favor signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 2-absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Dr. Verna Fowler to come out of executive session. Motion was seconded by Karen Washinawatok. All those in favor signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 2-absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Virginia Nuske that Ben Kaquatosh work with the Tribal Administrator's Office to implement some of the recommendations for Dr. Powless and the Tribal School. Motion was seconded by Amy Waukau. All those in favor signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 2-absent. Motion carried.

8. Adjournment

Motion made by Karen Washinawatok to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Rory Griffin. All those in favor signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 2-absent. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
Legislative Staff Services